



Your weekly news from ...

First Presbyterian Church

St. Petersburg

December 14, 2018

This Sunday at FPC

Worship Services:

- 8:15 a.m. Communion Worship in the Chapel
- 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service in Fellowship Hall
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service in the Sanctuary

Pastor Dawn continues her Advent sermon series: ***The Biblical witness of those who waited for the first coming of Christ.*** This week's sermon will focus on Advent through the eyes of Mary ([Luke 1:26-38](#)). [Click here](#) for Sunday's bulletin.



Reminder: Turn in your interim pledge (Jan 1 - Jun 30) **this Sunday.** [Click here](#) for more details and a blank pledge form.

The Many Moods of Christmas Concert - 4:00 p.m.

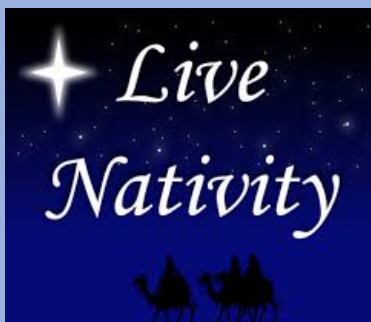
Christmas favorites you know and love. The choir and Orchestra will be bigger than ever as we partner with Pinellas County School for the Arts at Gibbs High School.

Tell a friend; bring a friend. You will not want to miss this! [Click image for printable and shareable poster.](#)



Freewill offering to support the St. Pete Free Clinic.

Other Important Information and Events

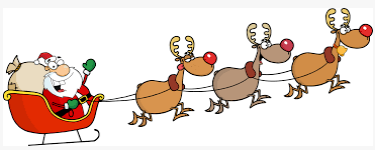


Live Nativity

December 15th
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Front lawn of FPC

[Click here](#) for details on how you can participate.



Twas the Night Before Christmas

Wednesday, December 19
6:00 p.m.

Come in your pajamas for a fun evening of games, crafts, refreshments, balloon artist and a visit from Santa. [Click here.](#)

A Giant Leap Forward in Social Media



FPC has a new website! And we are now on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook!!! Check us out!!

- [Website - fpcstpete.com](http://fpcstpete.com)
- [Twitter - #fpcstpete](https://twitter.com/fpcstpete)
- [Instagram - fpcstpete](https://www.instagram.com/fpcstpete)
- [Facebook - First Presbyterian Church St. Petersburg](https://www.facebook.com/FirstPresbyterianChurchSt.Petersburg)

What you can do:

1. Check out the website.
2. Follow #fpcstpete on Twitter
3. Follow fpcstpete on Instagram
4. Like and Follow our First Pres page on Facebook

Links to all of these are provided at the bottom of this page in the purple box each week.

Our new social media presence has a consistency (fpcstpete). Our new website has lots and lots of pictures people in ministry. These are the tools that people often access before attending a new church. We hope you will use them too.

Special thanks to the **Website Redesign Subcommittee** : Diedra Flora, Moderator, Adam Higman, Bryan Bardin, Rhonda Holifield, Kyle Brinkman, Margie Richmond and Ashley Davis.

Soothe your Stess

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

[Philippians 4:6](#)

Remember the 4 A's in dealing with stress: **A**void, **A**lter, **A**cept and **A**dapt



Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs)

Have You Ever Considered Making a Charitable Gift From Your IRA?

If you are over the age of 70 1/2, perhaps you should!

Here is a tax-savvy strategy that allows you to transfer up to \$100,000 per year from your traditional IRA directly to qualified charities, such as your church.



[Click here](#) for more information.

Calendar at a Glance

[Click here to view the full church calendar online.](#)

Coming up in December

- December 15 - Live Nativity
- December 16 - Ordination/Installation of Elders & Deacons in worship. Return your pledges today.
- December 16 - Many Moods of Christmas at 4:00 p.m. [Click here](#) for printable and shareable poster.
- December 21 - Youth Lock-in. Contact [David Aumack](#) for details.

Christmas Eve

- 4:00 p.m. Family Service in Fellowship Hall. Tell a friend; bring a friend!
- 7:00 p.m. Traditional Service with Candle lighting and Chancel Choir, Organ, Brass Quartet and more in the Sanctuary. Tell a friend; bring a friend!

Coming up in January

- January 7 - Book Club - **An American Heroine in the French Resistance**, by Virginia D'Albert-Lake. [Click here](#) for details.
- January 13th - Concert Series - Brass Roots Trio at 4:00 p.m.

Coming up in February

- February 3rd - Yoga with Adam returns after an extended holiday break.
- February 8th - Concert Series - St. Olaf Choir at 7:30 p.m.



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